Exhibit AS-2

### Software Considerations/Evaluation Criteria (Page 1) Models to be evaluated whether they have the functionality

#### **Model Capabilities**

- 1. Ability to optimize to emission limits
- 2. Capable of optimizing a broad range of retirement dates
- 3. Captures accurate long term costs of different lived alternatives
- 4. Accepts a non-linear escalation rate and negative escalation rates
- 5. Chronological model instead of using a load duration curve simplification for better renewable and storage modeling
- 6. Storage logic can handle more than once a day charging and discharging as well as long term storage modeling over weeks, seasons
- 7. Ability to tie storage charging to a specific technology
- 8. Ability to model ancillary service markets and assign benefits to specific technologies
- 9. Ability to accurately model economic reserve shutdowns (start-up cost, min down time, run time)

### **Model Transparency**

- 10. Availability of manual to stakeholders (without a license preferred)
- 11. Provide transparency into modeling; access to software inputs, outputs (without a license preferred)
- 12. Licenses available at reasonable cost



## Software Considerations/Evaluation Criteria (Page 2) Models to be ranked against each other subjectively

#### **Functionality**

- 13. Ability to change the granularity (down to sub-hourly resolutions) and type of commitment logic depending on purpose of run (build plan generation or detailed dispatch)
- 14. Ability to run stochastics or other risk analysis on different types of runs including retirement analysis
- 15. Ability to coordinate the IRP modeling with the Distribution Operations long-term plan
- 16. Ability to optimize fuel blending
- 17. Specific storage technology properties such as degradation, storage level
- 18. Ability to design a simpler, more transparent, yet still robust approach to IRP modeling by reducing the number of software platforms
- 19. Market Price forecasting

#### **Value and IRP process efficiency**

- 20. Best value for the cost over entire lifecycle, for DTE and stakeholders
- 21. Intuitive interface making it easy to transition from current model
- 22. Dedicated software support
- 23. Reasonable model run time
- 24. Additional server not preferred
- 25. Large user base



# Software Considerations/Evaluation Criteria (Page 3) Models to be ranked against each other subjectively

#### **Nice to Have**

- 26. Data visualization within the software
- 27. Straightforward error checking (messaging or other notification)
- 28. Program that may also work for other DTE modeling groups (e.g. Gen Ops)
- 29. Uncomplicated data import capabilities
- 30. Automatic reporting
- 31. Ability to track who makes the change to a database
- 32. Batch Running, ability to use macros and scripts
- 33. Easy exporting of input and outputs with no use of text files

